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Title Concentrate Solutions

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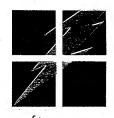
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The Commissioner of Patents, UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE, 2011 South Clark Place, Crystal Plaza 2, Room 1B03 Arlington, Virginia, U.S.A. 22202

Dear Sir:

Re: Non-Provisional United States Patent Application

(Based on Provisional United States Patent Application No. 60/256,493)

of Dialysis Solutions Inc.

for STERILE LOW BICARBONATE DIALYSIS CONCENTRATE

SOLUTIONS

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Enclosed herewith please find the following documentation for filing a Non-Provisional United States Patent Application with the Commissioner claiming priority from Provisional United States Patent Application Serial No. 60/256,493:

- (a) Utility Patent Application Transmittal,
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- (c) Declaration for Utility or Design,
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- (f) Informal Assignment,
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- (i) Disclosure,
- (j) Claims,
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Also enclosed herewith is a stamped, self-addressed verification card which we request that you kindly acknowledge and return to this office at the earliest opportunity. We thank the Commissioner for his cooperation in this regard and look forward to receiving filing data in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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